

REMARKS

The present Amendment is submitted after receipt of the Notice of Allowance and is in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.312. It is submitted that entry of these amendments clearly is warranted under the present circumstances for the following reasons.

The amendment to the specification is to update the status of the National Stage Application. Nevertheless, this amendment is necessary to ensure proper disclosure and protection of the invention. Consideration and entry of this amendment will not require any substantial amount of additional work on the part of the PTO.

As such, it is submitted that entry of the present amendment clearly is warranted, and such entry hereby is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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